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(C) On February 11, A/polcouns delivered ref A. points to MFA European Department desk officer Fadhel Al-Hassan, and followed-up on February 14 with European Department Deputy Director Muteb AlMutoteh. According to Mutoteh, the GOK will likely declare its support for Kosovo independence after determining the level of support from the international community. He added that an official statement of support will likely be made within the first three to four days after Kosovo's declaration.

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